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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: K. Morigaki et al. : Art Unit: 1745
Serial No.: 09/601,234 : Examiner: S. Foster
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FOR: NON-AQUEOUS ELECTROLYTE :
SECONDARY BATTERY COMPRISING :
COMPOSITE PARTICLES (AS :
AMENDED) :

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-RESPONSIVE AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Responsive to the Notice dated **February 20, 2003**, Applicants elect Nickel as the third category of species for the additional element of the solid solution or intermetallic compound.

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The claims which correspond to the elected species were set forth in the previous response to election requirements. The election continues to be made with traverse for the reasons previously given.

Respectfully submitted,

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